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IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Sheng-Ping Zhong et al.  
Serial No. : 09/993,907  
Filed : 11/27/2001  
Title : IMPLANTABLE OR INSERTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES VISIBLE  
UNDER MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING  
Art Unit : 3737  
Examiner : Ruth S. Smith  
Confirmation No. : 7678  
Docket No. : 01-286

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SIR:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) and**  
**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a 1-month  
extension of time, up to and including Monday, November 14, 2005 in which to respond to the  
Final Office Action dated July 14, 2005 in the above-identified application. Authorization is  
hereby given to charge the 1-month extension fee, i.e. \$120.00, to the undersigned attorney's  
PTO deposit account No. 50-1047 accordingly.

Applicant hereby respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

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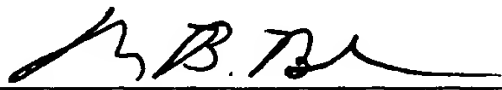
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from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated July 14, 2005 finally rejecting the pending, non-withdrawn claims in this application.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1047 the appeal fee in the amount of \$500. It is further requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office charge any additional amounts due, including any additional extensions of time that may be required, or credit any overpayments made to Deposit Account 50-1047.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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